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About That Beard

Nearly everyone laughed when Edwin Marger, attorney for John Richard Hawke, the bearded pilot who flew seven B-26 bombers to Portugal, asked members of the jury in Buffalo, N.Y., if they had any prejudices against men who wear beards.

But the question wasn't as frivolous as it sounded.

When the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty late Thursday night, Hawke smilingly shook hands with one of the jurors. The juror's first question was:

"When are you going to shave?"